

TO the Honourable *Joseph Caldwell & David* ^{*Brewster*} Esquires; ~~President, and~~

Associates, Judges, of the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting for Beaver County: The Petition of *Thomas Stinson* ~ ~ of the County of Beaver, humbly sheweth, That your Petitioner, hath resided within the United States of America, at least five years, and within the State of Pennsylvania, at least three years, that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely renounce, and abjure, all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, particularly to the King of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland to whom he was heretofore a subject, that he never hath borne any hereditary title nor hath been of any of the orders of nobility in the Kingdom from which he came, and is ready to declare on oath the truth of these things, and prays to be admitted a Citizen of the United States, and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Thomas Stinson
mark

BEAVER COUNTY, ss.

At an adjourned Court of Common Pleas, held for said County, on the *third* day of *October* A. D. 1808 - before the hon. *Joseph Caldwell & David* ^{*Brewster*} ~~President, and~~ Associates, Judges of the same court—came *Thomas Stinson* ~ ~ and being sworn according to law, saith that what he hath set forth in the above petition is the truth, and that he doth renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the King of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and that he will support the Constitution of the United States.

Sworn in open Court.

D. Johnson

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AT a Court of Common pleas, held at Beaver, the *third* day of *October* A. D. 1808 - for said county—Came into court *Robert Baker* ~ ~ a Citizen of the United States, and being sworn according to law, saith that during the term of five years residence in and under the jurisdiction of the said states, in the above petition set forth by the said *Thomas Stinson* ~ ~ he hath known the above named *Thomas Stinson* ~ ~ and that the said *Thomas Stinson* ~ ~ hath behaved himself as a man of good moral character, and attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed.

D. Johnson

Robert Baker